

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

**Plaintiff,**

**VS.**

**KATE D. CRUZ,**

**Defendant,**

**8:23CR206**

## ORDER

This matter is before the Court on defendant Kate Cruz's Motion to Continue Trial [102]. The parties need additional time to resolve the matter short of trial. The undersigned magistrate judge finds good cause to grant the continuance. Accordingly,

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Motion to Continue Trial [102] is granted, as follows:

1. The jury trial, now set for January 7, 2025, is continued to **February 4, 2025**.
2. In accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), the court finds that the ends of justice will be served by granting this continuance and outweigh the interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. Any additional time arising as a result of the granting of this motion, that is, the time between **today's date and February 4, 2025**, shall be deemed excludable time in any computation of time under the requirement of the Speedy Trial Act. Failure to grant a continuance would deny counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) & (B)(iv).
3. **No further continuances will be granted without requesting a hearing before the undersigned magistrate judge.**

DATED: December 9, 2024

BY THE COURT:

s/ Ryan C. Carson  
United States Magistrate Judge